

(Translation)

**Dr Hon Wendy HONG's motion on
“Establishing innovative institutional mechanisms to move full steam ahead
with the development of the Core Area of the Northern Metropolis”**

Wording of the Motion

That technological development is fast-changing; there is an urgent need to expedite the development of the Northern Metropolis, which is the major space carrier for Hong Kong's future development into an international innovation and technology centre; given that the land use planning for various local districts in the Northern Metropolis has basically been completed, this Council urges the Government to examine the overall development of the Northern Metropolis, designate the core land parcels and key infrastructure projects which must be accorded priority for development in the first phase (collectively referred to as the 'Core Area of the Northern Metropolis'), formulate a specific timetable and roadmap for its development, as well as establish the 'Northern Metropolis Core Area Authority' as a statutory body wholly owned by the Government, and enact the 'Northern Metropolis Core Area Authority Ordinance' to provide for the establishment of specific institutional mechanisms in various areas such as lands, construction, finance, transportation and cross-boundary flow of elements, so as to remove red tape for moving full steam ahead with the development of the Core Area, thereby driving the development of the Northern Metropolis as a whole.